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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:) Examiner: W. Bashore
Richard HUMPLEMAN et al.)
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS) Group Art Unit: 2176
FOR A HOME NETWORK AUTO-)
TREE BUILDER) Reply to Office Action
Application No.: 09/104,297) Dated September 8, 2004
Filed: June 24, 1998)

Reply/Amendment

Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby replies to the Office Action dated September 8, 2004 in the above-referenced patent application. Reconsideration and allowance of the patent application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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